

Richard V. Thiriot

**Richard V. Thiriot, Jr.**  
Richard "Rick" V. Thiriot, Jr.,  
age 27, died September 30, 1984,  
of a local hospital.



Born October 2, 1956, in Salt Lake City, Utah, he was the son of Paul and Vernon and Patricia Leaver Thiriot. He married Kenna Loyell May 16, 1975, in the Salt Lake LDS Temple. He was an avid Scout on local and national level. He was in commercial television and movie picture production for over 15 years, active member of the LDS Church.

Survivors: wife; three children, Michael, Jaimee, and Tyler; parents, sister, Carlie Thiriot; brother, Paul; grandmother, Margaret Woolley Thiriot, all of Salt Lake City.

Funeral service will be held Wednesday 12 noon, in the Union First Ward, 7400 So. 1100 E. Buried in the Union First Ward Cemetery, 4000 So. 2500 E. Tuesday 6:30 p.m. Interment, Wascatch Lawn Memorial Park. In lieu of flowers, friends may contribute to the American Cancer Society. Funeral Directors: Russon Brothers.

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# LDS filmmaker, 'Judge' Whitaker, dies at 77

PROVO — Wetzel Orson "Judge" Whitaker, 77, founder of the motion picture department at Brigham Young University, died Nov. 1, 1985, in a Salt Lake area hospital.

Mr. Whitaker was director and producer of BYU motion picture productions from 1952 to 1974, making more than 100 movies, mostly for The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints.

Earlier, he was an animator for 16 years for Walt Disney Studios in Los Angeles, where he developed the animation for early Donald Duck films

and later worked on "Alice in Wonderland," "Peter Pan" and "Cinderella." He was co-developer with his brothers of the Homestead Resort in Midway, Wasatch County.

He received many honors, including an honorary doctorate of fine arts from BYU in 1971. He also served for six years on the American Red Cross board of directors. He was active in the LDS Church, serving in many positions.

Mr. Whitaker spent his early years in Brigham City and Denver. He attended the Chicago Art Institute and

later worked as a staff artist for the St. Louis Times.

He was born Sept. 30, 1908, in Heber City to O.A. and Clara Fotheringham Whitaker. He married Doris Youkstetter on Jan. 14, 1931, in St. Louis. Their marriage later was solemnized in the Mesa, Ariz., Temple. She died Aug. 22, 1971. He married Louise Eccles Glen on May 18, 1973.

He is survived by his wife of Provo; three sons and two daughters: William O. Whitaker, Bellevue, Wash.; George E. Glen Cameron, Calif.; R. Michael

Whitaker, Mrs. Gary (Joan) Williamson and Mrs. Robert (Carol) Lloyd, all of Orem; 31 grandchildren; eight great-grandchildren; four brothers: Berlin W. Whitaker, Orem; W. Ferrin Whitaker and Russel O. Whitaker, both of Provo; John M. Whitaker, Stamford, Conn.

Funeral will be 11 a.m. Tuesday in the Pleasant View 6th Ward chapel, 2445 N. 650 East. Friends may call at Berg Mortuary of Provo, 6-8 p.m. Monday or at the ward chapel one hour before the service. Burial will be in the Midway Cemetery.

## Movie Studio Creator Dies

Wetzel Orson Whitaker, 77, director and producer at the Brigham Young University Motion Picture Studio for 22 years and a former Walt Disney animator, died Friday, Nov. 1, 1985, at Cottonwood Hospital, Murray.



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He was born Sept. 30, 1908, at Heber City to O.A. and Clara Fotheringham Whitaker. He married Doris Youkstetter Jan. 14, 1931, at St. Louis, Mo. The marriage was later solemnized in the LDS Mesa Temple. She died Aug. 22, 1971. He married Louise Eccles Glen May 18, 1973, in the Salt Lake City Temple of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints.

He spent his early years at Brigham City and at Denver, Colo. He attended the Chicago Art Institute and later worked as a staff artist for the St. Louis Times. After moving to Los Angeles, Calif., he was with Walt Disney Studios as an animator for 16 years.

In 1952, he moved to Midway, where he participated in the development of the Homestead with his brothers. Later that same year, he was invited by President E.L. Wilkinson to come to Brigham Young University and establish the Department of Motion Picture Production. He served as director and producer for that department for 22 years. During this time, more than 100 movies were produced, a majority of which were for the LDS Church.

He received many honors, including an honorary doctorate of fine arts from BYU in 1971. He served for six years on the board of directors of the American Red Cross, Central Utah Chapter.

He was active in the LDS Church, serving in many capacities, including high councilor, bishop and a member of the stake presidency of the California San Fernando Stake.

Survivors include his wife, of Provo; three sons and two daughters: William O. Whitaker, Bellevue, Wash.; George E. Glen, Cameron Park, Calif.; and R. Michael Whitaker, Mrs. Gary (Joan) Williamson and Mrs. Robert (Carol) Lloyd, all Orem; 31 grandchildren; eight great-grandchildren; and four brothers: Berlin W. Whitaker, Orem; W. Ferrin Whitaker and Russel O. Whitaker, both Provo; and John M. Whitaker, Stamford, Conn.

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